

REMARKS

By this response, no claims have been added, cancelled, or amended. Hence, Claims 27-52 and 63-88 are pending in the application. The Office Action of January 23, 2003 allowed Claims 27-52 and 63-88.

It is noted that the Office Action of July 21, 2003 indicated that Claims 27-52 and 56-88 were allowed. The Applicants' Agent, Christopher Brokaw, called Examiner Coby on July 23, 2003 to confirm that Claims **27-52** and **63-88**, rather than 27-52 and 56-88, are currently pending and allowed. Examiner Coby suggested referencing the discrepancy in the Remarks section of the Applicants' next response. It is respectfully noted that Claims 27-52 and 63-88 are currently pending and allowed, and reference in the Office Action of July 21, 2003 that Claims 27-52 and 56-88 are pending and allowed is in error.

The Office Action objected to the specification for lacking reference to related patent applications. The Applicants have amended the specification herein in accordance with the Office Action's suggestion. Consequently, the Applicants respectfully submit that the Office Action's objections to the formal drawings are addressed.

CONCLUSION

The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance is believed next in order, and that action is most earnestly solicited.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is believed that such contact would further the examination of the present application.

Please charge any shortages or credit any overages to Deposit Account No. 50-1302.

Respectfully submitted,

HICKMAN PALERMO TRUONG & BECKER LLP

Dated: July 30, 2003



Christopher J. Brokaw
Registration No. 45,620

1600 Willow Street
San Jose, California 95125-5106
Tel: (408) 414-1080 ext. 202
Fax: (408) 414-1076

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

on July 30, 2003

by 